

Page 10, line 24, after "ridge" insert --like the ridge
101 shown in Fig. 8--.

Page 11, line 1, delete "114" and insert --114, 116 and
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line 18, after "groove elements" insert --(not
shown)--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Rewrite Claims 1, 5, 6, 10 and 15 as follows:

1. (Amended) A ticket dispenser comprising a housing having a bottom [wall] support structure, a pair of side walls extending upwardly from said bottom [wall] support structure, a front [side] wall hinged adjacent its bottom edge to said bottom [wall] support structure at a first side so as to swing outwardly and downwardly [from said side walls], a cover hinged to said bottom [wall] support structure at a side opposite said first side and shaped to cover said bottom [wall] support structure with space between said bottom [wall] support structure and said cover, said space being [adapted] shaped to contain a plurality of arrays of tickets in strips with individual tickets being delineated from one another by lines of weakness, a powered drive module in said housing, said drive module being positioned adjacent said front [side] wall in a location to receive strips of tickets from said arrays, said

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module containing drive means for dispensing a predetermined number of tickets from a selected one of said arrays.

5. (Amended) A ticket dispenser as in Claim 1 in which said drive module comprises [an enclosure] a housing having at least one inlet opening for admitting plural parallel ticket strips into said enclosure, at least one outlet opening for issuing tickets from one of said strip, a drive motor driving a drive shaft, a plurality of input drive rollers rotatably mounted on a common shaft, selectively operable transmission means for selectively coupling said input drive rollers to said drive shaft for selectively feeding tickets in one of said strips through said module and out through said outlet opening.

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6. (Amended) A ticket dispenser as in Claim 1 in which said cover is at least partially transparent, and said cover forms a curved rear side wall for said enclosure, said housing comprising two [halves] sections joined together along a vertical line adjacent the inlet side of said drive module, and at least one housing extension element having bottom, top and side walls secured between said housing halves.

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10. (Amended) A ticket dispensing installation, comprising [in combination,] a ticket dispenser which has a housing having a bottom wall, a pair of side walls extending upwardly from said bottom wall, a front side wall hinged adjacent its bottom edge to said bottom wall at a first side so

as to swing outwardly and downwardly from said side walls, a cover hinged to said bottom wall at a side opposite said first side and shaped to cover said bottom wall with space between said bottom wall and said cover, said space being adapted to contain a plurality of arrays of tickets in strips with individual tickets being delineated from one another by lines of weakness, a drive module in said housing, said drive module being positioned adjacent said front side wall in a location to receive strips of tickets from said arrays, said module containing drive means for dispensing a predetermined number of tickets from a selected one of said arrays, said cover being at least partially transparent to permit viewing of said ticket strips from a vantage point looking towards said opposite side of said bottom, a check-out counter in a store, said check-out counter having a first position at which the customer normally is located and a second position at which a store clerk normally is located, said dispenser being mounted on said checkout counter with the opposite side of said housing facing [the normal customer] said first position at said check-out counter when purchases are being checked-out, and said front side wall facing [the normal clerk's] said second position at said check-out counter, the top of said cover being substantially flat to provide a convenient support surface on which to write.

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15. (Amended) A ticket dispensing installation comprising[, in combination,] a ticket storage housing for storing a plurality of strips of tickets in said housing, said housing having [side walls] a first side wall and an opposed second side wall, a bottom [wall] structure secured to said side walls, and an at least partially transparent cover, as well as [a first side wall and an opposed second side wall,] said cover having a substantially flat upper surface, said housing containing a powered dispensing mechanism for selectively dispensing tickets from said strips out of said housing, a check-out counter for a store, said ticket storage housing being mounted on said checkout counter with said flat upper surface accessible to customers while they are having their purchases checked out.

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Delete the sentence starting with "In such a rack----" in line 8 and ending with "-----all connected dispensers." in line 11. Also, delete the last sentence in the Abstract starting with "In such case multiple ----" in line 20, and ending with "---- connected dispensers." in line 22.

REMARKS

The specification and claims have been amended in response to the Examiner's rejections under 35 U.S.C. §112.